

There are no ambiguous phrases in the Times article, and the tones in the President's address, adding which militarists may feed the illusions of their dupes, no hints of compromise and no suggestion of faltering or doubt in the spirit of the pacific. . . . With this straightforward logic, the statement of America's war aims and last hope of the pacifists must founder.

The evening papers regard as the salient points made by the President his demand for war upon Austria-Hungary and his aim to free the peoples of the Balkans and other States from the yoke of Slavism.

"The President's declared intention of the United States to free the people from Prussian military and commercial autocracy," says the *Westminster Gazette*, "is a timely intimation that the real politicians in Berlin who are speculating on the possibility of a deal between the East and the West which shall prove them a free hand over Russia and east of Europe are in the wrong. They renege their aggressions in the West."

Like Purifying Breeze.

The *Globe* says President Wilson's address "comes as a purifying breeze from the new world to the old." The *Chicago Tribune* says the address is "the beginning of his address, says the newspaper, the object with which the United States entered the war, and adds: 'We commend this as a very weak kind of reasoning. The very kind of reasoning

"No more direct utterance has been vouchsafed to the belligerents since the war began."

The Standard says:

"The frank acceptance of the principles enunciated by the President by the German Government and peoples warring against Germany would, in our view, contribute decisively to the success of the armistice, in which along a negotiated peace can be established."

The Fall River Gazette says:

"The President's declaration to Germany that Austria is the purpose of breaking the vassalage to the German Government and his declaration that peace means free freedom to the peoples of the world, is a bold and wise and a judicious approach to a practical handling of the middle of the Eastern question yet made by any allied statesman."

The Star says:

"President Wilson speaks for the peoples and with the voice of humanity."

The British people, like the American people, are incessantly impatient of those failing to make plain what their objectives are. Wilson, like Lansdowne, tells the Germans nobody is threatening their existence or independence in peaceful enterprises. We must seek the most open candor as to our real aims to convince them that their masters are deceiving them. Sooner or later the right of liberty will sweep over the Kaiser.

COMMENT IN FRANCE.

Paris "Temp's" Dwells Upon Economic Feature.

PARIS, Dec. 5.—Commenting on President Wilson's message to Congress the *Temps* points out that "Win the war" is the motto which the message repeats and develops most insistently.

"Perhaps the most important passage in the message," says the newspaper, "is the intimation that the Allies, if they do not win the war, will be obliged to constitute herself a danger to peace, and use a weapon which President Wilson has heretofore never been willing to employ. But he has failed to explain to the people in his reference to a refusal by the peoples which will constitute the basis of the new world order."

"This merace is all the more gravelled because it has only been given voice after long reflection. Even if the Germans pretend to treat it with disdain or scorn, we can be certain it will have a profound effect among them."

ENTHUSIASM IN ITALY.

Grateful Americans to Be Sent to Wilson.

Rome, Dec. 5.—President Wilson's request to the American Congress to declare war upon Austria-Hungary has been received with the greatest enthusiasm and satisfaction throughout Italy, being commented upon as tangible proof that the United States is supporting Italy not only morally but with all the military resources of the world.

Clubs and associations in various parts of the nation are preparing addresses to express to President Wilson and to America as a whole their

Warrant for Kidnapper.
MARSHFIELD, Mo., Dec. 5.—(The) Persol, convicted kidnapper of Elmer Keet, was served with a warrant this afternoon charging him with the death of the kidnapped child.

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